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19 special plates whose colors and design shall indicate that the vehicle is owned by a
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9 2nd year of the biennial registration period. For each professional baseball team for
10 which plates are produced under par. (f) 60., all moneys received under this
11 subdivision, in excess of \$24,300 for the initial costs of production for each team's
12 special group plates, shall be deposited into the general fund and credited as follows:

13 a. An amount equal to the costs of licensing fees under par. (i) that are related
14 to that team shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (ej).

15 b. The remainder after crediting the appropriation account as provided in subd.
16 13. a. shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.835 (4) (gb). The
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8 the design for the applicable special group plate under par. (f) 60., the department
9 of veterans affairs before specifying the design for the special group plates under par.
10 (f) 49d., 49h., and 49s., and the department of tourism and chief executive officer of
11 the organization specified in par. (f) 55m. before specifying the design and word or
12 symbol used to identify the special group name for special group plates under par.
13 (f) 55m. Special group plates under par. (f) 50. shall be as similar as possible to
14 regular registration plates in color and design. The department shall make available
15 2 designs for the special group plates under par. (f) 60. The department may not
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17 approved by the executive vice president of the Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club
18 LP.

19 **SECTION 9.** 341.14 (6r) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

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24 (f) 60. The department shall specify one combination of colors for special group plates
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1 words comprising the special group name and the symbol to be displayed upon
2 special group plates for a group or organization which is not military in nature after
3 consultation with the chief executive officer in this state of the group or organization.

4 The department shall require that the word or words and symbol for a university
5 specified under par. (f) 35. to 47. be a registration decal or tag and affixed to the
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24 **SECTION 9150. Nonstatutory provisions; Transportation.**

1 (1) BASEBALL SPECIAL PLATES. No later than the first day of the 3rd month
2 beginning after the effective date of this subsection, the district board, as defined in
3 section 229.65 (6) of the statutes, shall consult with the department of transportation
4 for all of the following purposes:

5 (a) To specify an initial design for the special group plates under section 341.14
6 (6r) (f) 60. of the statutes, as created by this act.

7 (b) To facilitate, if necessary, the department of transportation's obtaining of
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9 act.

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